

Today's Advertisements.

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE No. 2 of 1897,
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF THE
H. L. L. S. ASBESTOS EASTERN
AGENCY, LIMITED, AS AGENTS FOR THE
SHILLINGFORD WORKS COMPANY,
LIMITED, OF SHILLINGFORD, ENGLAND,
FOR LETTERS PATENT
FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE IN THE COLONY
OF HONGKONG OF AN INVENTION FOR
"IMPROVEMENTS IN STEAM
TRAPS."

NOTICE is hereby given that the
PETITION, SPECIFICATION and
DECLARATION required by the above Ordinance
have been duly filed in the Office of the
Colonial Secretary of Hongkong, and that it is
the intention of the SHILLINGFORD WORKS
COMPANY, LIMITED, by the BELLS
ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED,
their duly authorized Agents and Attorneys, to
apply at the Sitting of the Executive Council
hereinafter mentioned for LETTERS PATENT
for the exclusive use within the said Colony
of Hongkong of the above-mentioned Invention.
And Notice is also hereby given that a Sitting
of the Executive Council, before which the
matter of the said Petition will come for decision
will be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, at the
Government Offices, Victoria, Hongkong, on
THURSDAY, the 18th March, 1897, at 10 A.M.

Dated the 8th day of March, 1897.
WILKINSON & GRIST,
Solicitors for
BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY,
LIMITED,
Agents for
THE SHILLINGFORD WORKS COMPANY,
LIMITED,
70, Queen's Road Central. [421]

FOR SALE.

EX S.S. "TACOMA."
GOOD AND PURE BEER.
From the MINNEAPOLIS BREWING CO., U.S.A.

GOLDEN GRAIN BEER LAGER BEER,
EXTRA PALE.
In Cases of 4 doz. Quarts or 6 doz. Pints at \$13.
One WATERBURY NICKEL WATCH will be
given away with every two cases of Beer.
Family and Pocket Cork Pullers will be
supplied, and sample bottles given to consumers.

BARRETT & Co.,
Sole Agents for the
MINNEAPOLIS BREWING CO.
Hongkong, 8th March 1897. [422]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE F. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
"ROSETTA"
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:-
From London, &c., ex S.S. *India* and *Parra-*
matia.
From Persian Gulf, ex S.S. *Sabarmati*, *Assyria*
and *Stimia*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before 4
P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 14th instant, at 4
P.M. will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns and a certificate of the damage
obtained from the Godown Company within ten
days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which
no Claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1897. [5]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship

"DIOMED,"
Captain Bartlett, will be despatched as above
TO-MORROW, the 9th instant, at 10 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
HUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1897. [364]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.
FOR SHANGHAI.

"PAKHOI,"
Captain Shioli, will be despatched as above TO-
MORROW, the 9th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
HUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1897. [420]

FOR SHANGHAI.
"DAPHNE,"
Captain J. Samuelsen, will be despatched for the
above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 10th instant,
at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1897. [419]



NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

TRANS-PACIFIC LINE.
MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR SEATTLE, WASHINGTON,
VIA MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.
(Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading
issued for the principal Cities in the
UNITED STATES, CANADA AND EUROPE, in
connection with the Great Northern Railway
and Atlantic Steamers.)

THE Company's Steamship

"TENSIN MARU,"
Captain F. J. Brown, will be despatched as above
on THURSDAY, the 11th instant, at 4 P.M.,
instead of as previously advertised.
Consular Invoices of Goods for United States
Ports should be in QUADRUPPLICATE, and one
Copy must be mailed by the Steamer to the
care of the FREIGHT AGENT, Great Northern
Railway, Seattle, Wash.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1897. [366]

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &
COMPANY,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.
SODA WATER.
LEMONADE.
GINGER ALE.
SARSAPARILLA.
RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are
made under the constant supervision of a duly
qualified English Chemist and will bear com-
parison with the best English Manufactures.
Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSIES and
other Large Consumers.
Any complaints should be addressed to the
Manager.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1897. [427]

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG
TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY
REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS
MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is requested that all communications relating to Subscriptions,
Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, Hongkong
Telegraph" and not to the Editor.

Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and
not to individual members of the staff.
Communications intended for publication must be accompanied
by the name and address of the writer, and it is desirable that
the Editor should be informed of the writer's position, and the
best medium for Advertisers. Terms can be learnt on application.

The Hongkong Telegraph's number at the Telephone Central
Exchange is No. 1. Telegraphic "dress" is "Telegraph,"
Hongkong.

Advertisements are requested to forward all orders intended for
insertion in this paper, to the Editor, at the "Manager, Hongkong
Telegraph," and not to the Editor.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a
fixed period will be continued until discontinued.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1897.

REUTERS' MESSAGES.

MR. MCKINLEY'S POLICY.

LONDON, March 5th.
Mr. McKinley in his last oral address
advocated sound money, international
bimetallism, a protective tariff and reciprocity
similar to 1890. He strongly approved of the
Abolition Treaty with Great Britain, and will
convene an extra Session on the 15th instant
to consider the T. & F. Cuba was not alluded to
in the Address.

THE EUROPEAN SITUATION.

Four French warships, at Toulon, have been
ordered to be in readiness to sail for Crete at a
moment's notice.

One hundred members of the House of
Commons, including Sir Charles Dilke and Mr.
Herbert Gladstone, have wired to the King of
Greece, leading his services to civilization.
The situation in Crete and on the Thessalian
frontier is critical.

Two Greek warships have left the Piræus
under sealed orders.

INDIAN FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

We are glad to see that contributions are
flowing in to this Fund so fast that there is reason
to hope that the £50,000 mark will be reached in
the near future. From a list kindly supplied by
the Hon. Treasurer this afternoon we learn that
the total amount of subscriptions to date is
£48,117.53. We shall publish the list supplied
to-day in our next issue.

SUBSCRIPTION LISTS.

Subscription Lists will be found in the various
Banks, stores, and Clubs in the Colony.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE V.R.C. holds its annual sports meeting at
Happy Valley on the 27th instant.

H.M.S. *Immortalité* left this morning for Amoy
and the German cruiser *Irona* for Nagasaki.

The visit of the Emperor (Francis Joseph) to St.
Petersburg has been fixed for April 27th next.

SURGEON-GENERAL VARR, of the Medical Staff,
has been appointed physician to the Crown Prince
of Siam.

The coming match for the Waterloo Cup
resulted on the 30th ultimo in *Gallant* beating
Fly by *Tricks*.

DR. NANNEN, the famous explorer, arrived in
London on the 3rd ultimo, accompanied by his
wife and other friends.

LIEUT.-COLONEL F. W. HAMMING, half-pay,
late 5th Dragoon Guards, has been selected for
the post of Military Attaché in Japan.

At a special general of the Penang Marine
Association, which was held on the 22nd ult., it
was resolved that the affairs of the Association
should be wound up and the Association dissolved
forthwith.

FIVE Japanese boarded the steam launch *Fu*
On yesterday and began fooling with the steam
whistle. The coxswain remonstrated with them
and they assaulted him. Two of the Japs were
arrested and to-day they were fined \$10 each.

The total Stamp Revenue of Hongkong for
February, 1897, was \$19,041.36 as against
\$19,041.60 in February of last year. The
decrease was \$246.26 and the increase
\$249.26, the total increase for last month being
\$26.76.

We learn from a home paper that a great emi-
gration movement of Russian Jews from the
Vinnitsa provinces to Africa is taking place. In
several districts the male population is greatly
diminished, and business in the shops is mostly
carried on by women.

The Secretary of the Penang Mining Company
informs us that the result of the February
Cyanide clean-up is as follows:—"The plant
ran 15 days treating 320 tons of tailings which
yielded 203 ounces of bullion of an average
value of 16s. 3d. per ounce.

We read in the *Referee* that Charlie Wood
has at last been granted a fresh licence by the
Jockey Club to ride in Great Britain.

His ride again.
And so he should.
Then they would
Then they would.

"NEVER prophesy unless you know" is a
maxim which the St. Petersburg *Vladivostok*
should take to heart. If ever a war breaks out
between Russia and Japan, "which," says the
Vladivostok plainly, "is the will of God," Russia
will seize Fusan and Port Arthur to prevent
Japan doing so, and thus command the situation.

To-day quite a busy day at the Magistracy,
and the crowd that filled the courtyard was the
largest seen there for a long time. Officers were
in attendance from all the stations with batches
of prisoners tied together by their *quones*, and
the gathering was graphically illustrated by the
scurry side of John Chalmers's life.

The *Times* says that the Vienna *Reichswehr* has
information from Exzell that a road from the
south shore of the Caspian Sea to the interior of
Persia is now being hurried on, the Russian
Government having lent engineers to the com-
pany which has the concession to make the road.
Russian frontier troops are expected to guard the
road.

SPEAKING on 3rd February, before the Royal
Commission which is enquiring into the civil
and military expenditure of India and the ap-
portionment of charge between the Imperial and
Indian Governments for purposes in which both
are interested, Lord Northbrook expressed the
opinion that India had been unfairly treated in
respect of the charges put upon her in connection
with the Abyssinian war and with the despatch
of Indian troops to Suakin in 1885.

We understand from the London *Times* that the
two great lion founders of Schneider and Canet
have been amalgamated, and that the two prin-
cipals have secured M. Faure that France has
now an establishment rivalling that of Her
Krupp.

The steamer *Honam* made a pleasure excursion
to Macao yesterday, a large number of passengers
being aboard. The trip and the visit to
Macao were pleasant and interesting, but a heavy
fog set in on the return journey and the vessel,
instead of reaching port at midnight, did not get
in until 9 a.m. to-day.

A FURTHER fall in the value of opium is reported
by wire from Calcutta, where the monthly
auctions were held on the 1st instant. Faint,
it seems, fetched only 1,070 rupees per chest as
compared with 1,120 rupees in February, while
Benares was taken off the market at 1,073 rupees,
being 62 rupees less per chest than in the preced-
ing month.

A SAILOR named Michael Barry was charged
to-day at the Magistracy with being absent with-
out leave from the steamer *Ola*. His officers
did not give him a good character, saying he
used to do as he liked on-board. Captain Hast-
ings inflicted a fine of \$15, or six weeks. The
Captain paid the fine and Michael was taken off
to his ship by the police.

Two prominent and popular officials were to leave
India on the 24th ultimo. Sir Alfred Leithbridge
takes furlough preparatory to retirement, and
Sir Alfred Croft resigns the post of the Head of
the Education Department in Bengal. The
former, too, vacated his seat as member of the
Victoria's Legislative Council on the 20th ult.
Both Sir Alfred Leithbridge and Sir Alfred Croft
will proceed to Europe via China, Japan, and
America.

A SAILOR named Harding made things hot at
the Sailors' Home last night. He loaded up to
the muzzle with fire-water and then visited the
Home. Here he was seen to admire himself
for a while in a mirror, then he danced a few
steps of a war-dance and suddenly sent his fist
through a mirror. He followed up this by
"blowing" unoffending windows and "time" was
called when he had done \$10 worth of damage.
He was 15-day fined \$7 and ordered to pay \$10
compensation, with the usual alternatives.

THE vigilance of the Opium Farm's excise-
men has been constantly verified by the large number
of persons charged with breaches of the Ordi-
nance, and to-day nearly a score of this section
of the population were arraigned at Captain
Hastings's table, when various fines were inflicted.
The most conspicuous in this long list was
Kwok Kun, a shoof of the *Hongkong*, in
whose possession 15 taels of illicit opium was
found. He was subjected to have \$300 "collected"
from him or submit to 3 months' hard labour.

A RUMOUR is in circulation to the effect that the
Amateur Dramatic Club intend to produce
"Pantomime Rehearsals" later on in the season.
Should this report prove to be founded on fact
we must congratulate the A.D.C. on its decision,
for the play in question is one well calculated to
give full scope to the talents of such clever all-
round actors as Messrs. Grace and Caldwell, who
will doubtless make things amusing and lively.
The only difficulty in producing a pantomime in
Hongkong seems to lie with the audiences,
who are usually "pau-blind," severely critical,
and very unappreciative.

THE following return of the average amount of
bank notes in circulation and of specie in
reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended
23rd February, 1897, as certified by the Man-
agers of the respective Banks, are published in
Saturday's *Gazette*:—Chartered Bank of India,
Australia and China, average amount \$312,142;
specie in reserve \$1,250,000. Hongkong and
Shanghai Banking Corporation, average amount
\$6,466,004; specie in reserve \$2,500,000. Nation-
al Bank of China, Limited, average amount
\$365,275; specie in reserve \$205,000. Total,
average amount \$9,143,511; specie in reserve
\$3,955,000.

THE last performance of "Les Cloches de
Corneville" by the Amateur Dramatic Club
took place on Saturday evening at the City Hall.
Everyone and everything worked smoothly and
the piece went off without a hitch of any kind,
both principals and chorus being in great "form."
It being a special "Naval" night many hits
were made with references to the various ships
on the station, and they were received with loud
applause. The general opinion appears to be
that the public have not had their fair share of
"Les Cloches" and that a few more perform-
ances would be most welcome. However, we
never get enough of a good thing, and those
who have not had enough of the A.D.C.'s
charming performances will have to console them-
selves with this reflection.

THE St. Petersburg correspondent of the London
Times says that, if the newspapers rightly
express the popular feeling, probably no other
people have been able to look back on the past
year with such satisfaction as the Russians.
Her ascendancy to Europe is described as a
guarantee of her mastery in Asia, so that all
China is now reserved for the future advance of
the Tsar. Prince Esper Okhtomsky, President
of the Russo-Chinese Bank and a director of
the Eastern Chinese Railway, has set himself
the task of enlightening his countrymen on the
"inherent union and gradual conquest of
Russia with the East." According to the *Sofit*
not only China, but also Persia, Beluchistan,
and even India, are destined by the
will of Providence sooner or later to
fall to the possession of the Russian people.
This certainly sounds nice from a Russian point
of view, but we doubt not that France, Germany,
and England will have something to say on the
subject, as their reading of the designs of
Providence may possibly clash with the inter-
pretation put upon them by the highly imagina-
tive Russian press. The whole world does not
yet belong to the Tsar of All the Russias.

A SPECIAL Session of Justices of the Peace will
be held in the Justice's room, at the Magistracy,
at 2.15 p.m. on Wednesday, the 17th March, for
the purpose of considering an application from
A. Bja'jee for the transfer of his publican's
licence for the premises at the Peak, over the
sign of The Peak Hotel, to Rustomjee Cowajee
Bamjee.

A NOTIFICATION in the *Gazette* of the 6th inst.
states that Postal Notes of the values named
below, payable within three months at any Post
Office in the United Kingdom, or at Constantin-
ople, can be obtained at Hongkong or at any
British Post Office in China at the following
prices, which include commission:—1/-, 50 cts.,
1/6, 75 cts.; 5/-, \$2.50; 10/-, \$5.00; 20/-,
\$10.

THE action Loo Lun v. Tam Chun and others,
in which the plaintiff claimed \$37 for work
done by him for the defendants, was resumed in
the Supreme Court to-day before His Lordship
the Chief Justice. Mr. E. Robbison, instructed
by Mr. H. L. Denny, appeared for the plaintiff
and Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., instructed by Mr.
Wilkinson, appeared for the defence. Tam Chun
denied all the statements made by the
plaintiff and his witness Tang Fun, and after
Messrs. Robbison and Francis had addressed the
Court, judgment was reserved till Wednesday at
10.30 a.m.

A DENSE fog covered the harbour last night,
and shortly before 12 o'clock it became so thick
that the bells on board ship had to be kept
ringing. It did not improve as the morning wore
on and the constant clanging of different toned
bells and the plaintive hoot of steam fog-horns
made a rather difficult matter for people
living anywhere near the water front. The fog
lifted by 10 a.m., but the hills surrounding the
harbour were more or less obscured all day.
To-day may be considered the beginning of the
warm season, the sun's heat being at times more
than was pleasant and the air was very still and
heavy.

H.M.S. *Porpoise* left her moorings in the
harbour at 11 a.m. to-day, homeward bound.
As usual all her consorts "cheered ship," and
the band of H.M.S. *Grafton* played "Anch' Lang,
Syna" and "Home, Sweet Home," as the
Porpoise passed. The latter vessel's masts and
rigging were swarming with sailors and they
sent up stentorian cheers for their comrades in
the fleet. The *Porpoise* also had a hearty salute
from the R.N.R. men on the *Empress of Japan*
as that vessel was passed, and by 11.30 she had
cleared the harbour, the long white pennant
trailing down over the stern being then cut
adrift.

COMMANDER DUNDAS, R.N., to whom the
Admiralty have granted permission to enter the
service of the Chinese Government, will shortly
proceed to China and take up the appointment
of Principal of the Naval College at Tientsin,
which includes virtually that of Naval Adviser
to the Government. The old quarrel between
the Chinese and the Admiralty in reference to
the shabby treatment of Captain Lang was
made up some time ago. While it lasted no
British naval officer on the active list was
permitted to enter the Chinese service; but the
apologies and explanations which were ultimately
made were accepted. Captain Dundas remains
on the active list of the British navy. It is to
be hoped that the jealousies which led Captain
Lang to throw up his post will not be again
shown, and that the Chinese have for once
read their lesson.—*Morning Post*.

It is reported by the *Times* of India that the
cremation of bodies of people dying of plague at
Gos, ordered by the Health Department of that
place, has been carried out in the case of a
young Christian named Carvalho, who was
formerly a student in the Bombay School of
Arts, and who latterly joined his brother in
business at Glasgow. He died in one of the
lazarettos, of which there are three, in Gos.
The Master of Gos, who is known as
"Administrator of Bards," has issued orders
that plague bodies should be burnt irrespective
of the dead people being Christians, Parsees,
Mahomedans, or Hindoos. This order, how-
ever, seems not to have been very favourably
regarded in Damann, where a meeting was held
to petition the Goa Government against
its rigid enforcement, on the ground that
it clashed with the religious beliefs and scruples
of some communities. The bodies of two
Catholics who died of plague at Parra, a village
near Gos, have been cremated by order of the
Goan authorities.

THE *Daily Chronicle* on the famous Car-
case?—Over three centuries before the Christian
era more than eight-score Roman ladies were
publicly executed for poisoning their husbands,
and in our own country it was no common
crime that in 1531 it was made punishable by
boiling to death. That severity did not stop it,
and so late as 1850 the use of arsenic for poison-
ing was so common that Parliament placed
obstacles in the way of its sale, the difficulty
of getting it being further increased in 1868 and
1885. In 1884 two sisters were hanged for
poisoning the husband of one of them for insur-
ance money—a very common inducement to
crime at one time; and four years later a doctor
at Cork was executed for poisoning his wife with
arsenic. Mrs. Maybrick was tried at Liverpool
in the summer of 1889, before the late Mr. Jus-
tice Stephen, for poisoning her husband
with arsenic, and was convicted. Some of
the clearest legal minds in England doubted
if the evidence brought the crime home to
the accused; some doubt it still. The
finding and sentence of the Court,
Court of Appeal, of course, not final. They
are capable of revision, though whether by appeal
to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council is
not clear. It is evident that local prejudices run
high against Mrs. Carcase. The mystification of
the soul-wire letters formed no mystery to the
British colony in Japan. The arrest of the
governess was regarded as an outrage; and the
verdict, be it right or wrong, would appear to
follow public opinion. But the case is not over,
and its further elucidation will be followed by
mild minds in every quarter of the world.

COLLAPSE OF THE PRAYA WALL.

A SAMPAH WOMAN DROWNED.

As briefly reported in our extra this morning
a serious subsidence of the Praya wall took place
westward of the Harbour Office at 5 p.m.
yesterday. The loss of one life, an old
sampa woman, is known of and so far as can
be ascertained there are no other people missing
at present. The catastrophe was caused by
some 40 or more great blocks of concrete, weigh-
ing each about 8 tons, and which were placed
on top of the foundation, suddenly toppling over
in an easterly direction, the ends coming in
shorewards. The eastern extremity of the
pile went right under water and some
8 or 9 sampans were by the wall at the time and
the occupants, with the exception of the victim
mentioned, appear to have had escapes that were
truly miraculous. The earth at high water
mark and some 14 yards from the wall
shows several large gaping cracks caused
by the collapse. As the blocks now stand
they present a very threatening appearance,
being likely to fall further at any moment, and
some of the blocks have cracked in two places.
Others have come right out of the
square, and the slightest disturbance of them
would bring the whole thing down like
a house of cards. Of course the sampa people
now give the place a wide berth. On two previous
occasions there have been similar accidents
to this one, and it is conjectured that some
inequality of surface at the bottom is the cause.

NEWS BY THE ENGLISH MAIL.

LONDON, February 5th.
The capital of the Russo-Chinese Bank is now fully paid up.
The Russian Government has decided to transform its present simple diplomatic mission at Seoul into a legation at an early date.
The German Government intends to send a Commission of German medical experts to Bombay to investigate the pestilence which is raging there.

On 3rd inst the Marquis of Salisbury entered on his sixtieth year, having been born on Feb. 3rd, 1839.
Sir George Trevelyan has announced his determination to resign his seat for the Bridgton division of Glasgow.
A report is current to the effect that Mr. Rhodes has documentary evidence of a Berlin-Pretoria intrigue and will table his papers when the proper time arrives.

Commander Dundas, to whom the Admiralty have granted permission to enter the service of the Chinese Government, will shortly proceed to China and take up the appointment of principal of the Naval College at Tientsin.
Yesterday the Queen Regent of Spain signed the scheme of reforms for Cuba. The principal feature of the project is the establishment of an Assembly for Cuba, under the title of the Council of Administration.

The Tsar's health is still a topic of conversation. A usually well informed correspondent says "that the case of the Tsar's illness is that which was at first put forward and then upon authority contradicted. The symptoms point to a danger of epilepsy."

The Arbitration Treaty between Great Britain and Venezuela was signed on 2nd inst at Washington by Sir Julian Pauncefote and the Venezuelan Plenipotentiary. It is probable that the arbitration will occupy a year and a half.

All sorts of projects are being talked about to commemorate the Queen's long reign. Public opinion is decidedly in favour of Mr. Chamberlain's idea of inviting the respective Colonial Prime Ministers and their wives, and detachments of Colonial troops to this country, as guests of the Government this year, in commemoration of the event.

Despite obvious difficulties of weather and temperature both Oxford and Cambridge have begun with their preparation for the Boat Race on April 3.

The *Albatross*, cruiser, Captain H. N. Dudding, was inspected at Portsmouth on 1st inst, but her departure for China has been postponed till to-day in order to accompany the *Monarch* as far as Gibraltar.

According to a Russian paper a new cruiser of 14,000 tons will be laid down in a Baltic yard during 1897, in addition to the two cruisers *Falshin* and *Datara*; an increased of 3,000 tons, for coast defence, to be built in the new Admiralty dockyard; an increased of 5,000 tons, at Nikolai, and several transports and torpedo boats, at St. Petersburg, Nikolai, and Aba.

The Pope has set aside a sum of nearly £30,000, the interest of which will be employed in constituting a certain number of prizes for the best Catholic literary works which may be published in Italy or abroad. With this object his Holiness has appointed an official Commission in order to examine the works, and has himself sketched out the programme of the competition.

The second annual meeting of the Navy League, held on 2nd inst, at the Royal Victoria Service Institution, the Earl of Droghda in the chair. The accounts and report were adopted, and in the course of his remarks the President called attention to the question of the "manning of the Fleet," and expressed an opinion that the training of the Naval Reserve was not carried out with modern guns and machinery.

There is a general consensus of opinion in military circles that the time has arrived when some decided steps must be taken by the Government to stave the truly alarming increase of contagious diseases which are rampant in the ranks of the British Army in India. Surely, it is thought, all but the most fanatic would recognise the necessity of taking some action when the proportion of such cases has risen to about 50 per cent, as against but 3 per cent, the average in the armies of the great Continental Powers.

The appointment of Sir Michael Colme-Seymour to succeed Sir Newell Salmon as Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth is now a recognised fact, and the Commander-in-Chief in the Mediterranean has visited Portsmouth in order to pick up the threads of the work that he will have to undertake a few months hence.

The Board of Trade inquiry into the sinking of the Orient liner *Orizaba* in Tilbury Dock concluded at Westminster yesterday. The Court found that no blame was attached to the owners or the chief and second officers, but it could not entirely absolve the engineer from blame, he being in charge of the engine-room at the time. The list to starboard was due to some of the hull's tanks before empty and some partly filled, and to various openings following an influx of water.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.
The following is the total number of cases and deaths of the plague, as well as the total mortality from all causes during the week ending 13th February—

	Cases.	Deaths.	Total Mortality from all causes.
Friday	123	79	274
Saturday	103	114	270
Sunday	81	115	265
Monday	118	128	265
Tuesday	155	124	263
Wednesday	115	106	233
Thursday	115	135	255
Total to date, 6,224	4,738		

QUARANTINE IN EGYPT AND ITALY.
The P. and O. Company have received a telegram stating that passengers wishing to land in Egypt can do so by disembarking in Suez Roads and proceeding at their own expense to Moses Wells for the customary disinfection of baggage, &c., an operation which usually takes about six hours, but the Quarantine Rules are liable to alteration at any time, and passengers must be prepared to proceed on in the steamers in the event of the foregoing arrangement being modified or withdrawn. No change has at present been made in the Quarantine Regulations at Brindisi, and passengers wishing to disembark there can do so after undergoing the usual formalities.—*Times of India.*

LONDON, February 17th.
At the Venice Conference yesterday the French Delegate strongly urged the ratification of the Peace Convention and the stoppage of pilgrimages this year. Dr. Thoma, the British Delegate urged the Conference to take no decision based upon ignorance, and dwell upon the efficacy of the British system. The discussion relative to pilgrims has been postponed until the arrival of Dr. Cleghorn.

LONDON, February 21st.
Dr. Cleghorn has arrived at Venice.
CALCUTTA, February 20th.
In the plague at Bombay the deaths continue to average over 100. The official totals to date are 9,007 cases and 3,705 deaths. Private estimation are more than double these figures.

AMOY.

IMPORTANT PUBLIC MEETING.

A well attended meeting of British residents was held on February 17th at the Masonic Hall, Amoy, to discuss what the British subjects at Amoy should do on the occasion of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee.

Mr. C. T. Gardner, C.M.G., H.M.'s Consul, was unanimously called upon to take the chair. He said that the meeting had been convened to discuss the best way, first, of celebrating and secondly of commemorating the sixtieth year of Her Majesty's reign, and invited those present to express their views.

Mr. Taw, a German gentleman, said he had been requested to speak on behalf of the Chinese British subjects resident at Amoy. After referring to the suitability of the present occasion for displaying one's gratitude, he mentioned various projects which had been suggested. Athletic sports and a display of fireworks might well, he thought, be left to the hands of competent committees. Another project was the re-erecting of certain old English graves, of the 17th century, which had fallen into a dilapidated condition; he had been informed, however, that Messrs. Cass and Gowan had very generously undertaken to restore these graves at their own cost. Mr. Taw now came to a project in which the Chinese were especially interested, namely, the establishment of an Anglo-Chinese school. Mr. Khoo Joo, a long resident of Amoy, was the pioneer of this movement, and great enthusiasm had been aroused amongst the Chinese.

The language of diplomacy, English was the language of commerce. English was also the language of science and Western learning. In China was to advance in the path of modern civilization it was therefore essential that the rising generation in China should be taught English. Mr. Taw thought the assistance of the British subjects might be obtained in connection with this scheme. He then proceeded to refer to a project in connection with hospital work. He thought that whatever sum should be subscribed should be spent in Amoy, and suggested the founding of a Maternity Hospital. Such institutions had been established by the Dufferin in India, and had been very successful. Mr. Taw concluded his speech by referring to the noble generosity of Mr. Jardine in bearing the entire cost of the publication of Dr. Legge's translation of the Classics.

General Kemper, U.S. Consul, having asked the Chairman's permission to speak, said that he did not bring a British subject's presence at that meeting might require some explanation. All-American citizens, and especially those of Virginia, shared with all Englishmen their loving admiration of the Queen. He hoped that the sun of her prosperity would never set. Taking great interest therefore in the subject under discussion, he had attended the meeting, and having finished his explanation, he resumed his seat amidst loud applause.

Rev. J. A. Sadler said—The present occasion is of great importance. It is inspiring to think of many men from different countries brought together under one head, and that head a woman, a magnificent and personal character as well as in her qualities of sovereignty. It is wonderful to think of the kindness there is in men. The other day the Prince of Wales was doing a good work in connection with a certain Masonic institution. Here there are men who have helped on the cause of education. There are four points to be noticed briefly—1. The Chinese British subjects of Her Majesty have not only gained wealth and power under British rule in Singapore, Burma, and India, but also to give the advantages they have shared to others.

2. The vast importance of the Commemorative School to be now started is shown in this, that it will affect the destinies of hundreds and thousands of boys and, through them, of millions of Chinese.

3. There is the wider outlook. In industrial and manufacturing advantages Amoy has made no progress for the last 50 years. How is it to be made? By Chinese British subjects—Chinese merchants. If they will combine and organize, the work will be done and we shall have similar advantages to Shanghai.

4. During this year this last liberty abroad. It is an opportunity for millions. A world of good may be done for the present and the future. The Chairman said the question of what form the memorial of this occasion should take was now before the meeting. Should we leave it to the British subjects of Chinese origin to found a school, and the rest of us establish our memorial in the form of hospital work of any kind, such as the establishment of a European hospital, the founding of a Maternity Hospital, as suggested by Mr. Taw, or the raising of a subscription for the nursing home established by Her Majesty in England, or should we all unite our efforts in one scheme?

Mr. Smollett Campbell (Commissioner) remarked that it would be better to do one thing well than several things badly. There would then be some chance of achieving something that would really commemorate the sixtieth year of Her Majesty's reign. An Anglo-Chinese school had been proposed. The Amoy community was not at large one, and he thought that all the funds that would be collected would be required for this.

Some discussion ensued afterwards, and it resulted in Mr. Bruce proposing "That the efforts of the British community at Amoy towards commemorating the Diamond Jubilee should be concentrated upon the effort to establish an Anglo-Chinese school."

It was seconded by Mr. Campbell and carried unanimously.

The following gentlemen were then proposed as a Provisional Committee to see to it as the best means of establishing a school for teaching English at Amoy, and as to whether sufficient funds could be collected for the inauguration and maintenance of such a school, with the understanding that they should report the results of their labours to a future meeting, which could then confirm, or otherwise, the vote that the school should be formed from the memorial should take—Messrs. C. T. Gardner, Bruce, Sadler, Taw, and Khoo Joo, and Khoo Joo, with power to add to their number.

The omission of Mr. Smollett Campbell's name being purely accidental, he was then unanimously invited to join the Provisional Committee.

The Chairman then said that having come to a provisional understanding as to the Memorial, the next subject was to consider the celebration. He thought possibly athletic sports and pyrotechnics would be suitable ways.

After some discussion it appeared that the meeting considered it would be better to have one Committee to arrange about and collect subscriptions for the athletic sports and fireworks, and the following gentlemen were elected—Messrs. Olla, Thomas, and Heron, specially for athletic sports, and Messrs. Boyd, Farrow, and Li Pak Yum, specially for fireworks.

Mr. Bruce remarked that the presence of a British man-of-war contributed greatly to the success of such occasions, and he trusted that H.M. Consul would use his kind offices in bringing such a suggestion before the notice of the proper authorities.

The meeting then concluded with the usual vote of thanks to the Chairman.

SPORTS & PASTIMES.

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. v. UNITED SERVICES.
The following are the complete scores in the above match, which was begun on Friday last and finished on Saturday—

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First Innings.		Second Innings.	
K. W. Moncrey, c Foward b Vallings	7	c Beryl, b Vallings	5
T. S. Smith, b Howard	11	b Vallings	16
A. W. Mackintosh, c Foward b Vallings	10	b Vallings	10
A. W. Mackintosh, b Howard	1	b Vallings	10
C. Ham, b Howard, c Vallings b Howard	1		
R. F. Lamont, c Vallings b Beasley	1	c Clarke, b Vallings	12
W. S. Crawford, c Foward b Beasley	1		14
W. S. Crawford, not out	1	b Beasley	27
T. Perry Ayres, not out	1	c Foward	27
J. Arthur, c and b Beasley	1	not out	37
W. S. Crawford, c Foward b Beasley	1	c Howard, b Vallings	9
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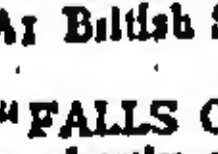
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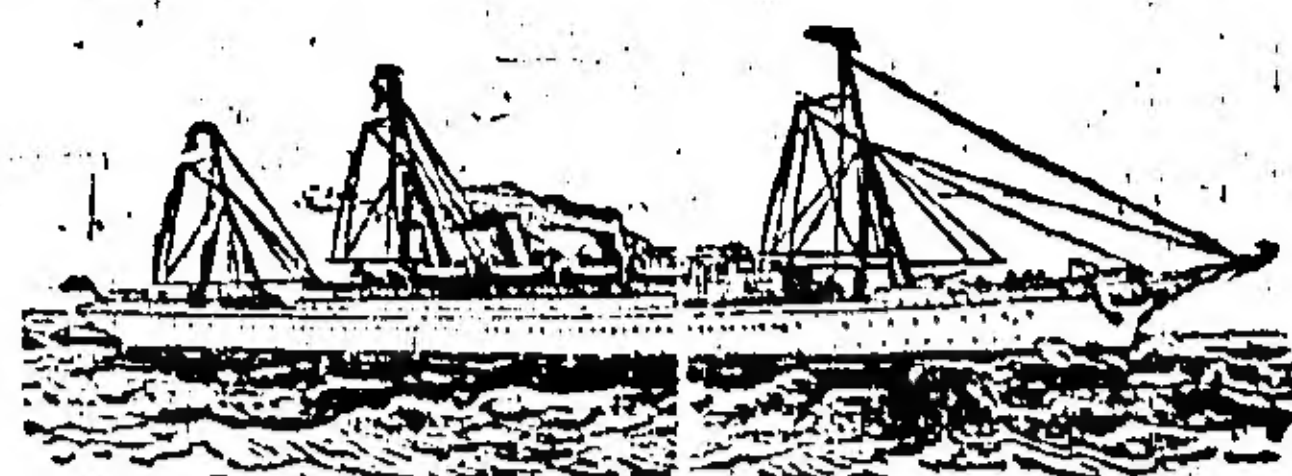
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Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1897. [6]



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

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THE Steamship

"ROHILLA,"
Captain F. J. Cole, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on THURSDAY, the 11th March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. This Steamer also connects at Bombay with the S.S. India leaving that Port on the 3rd April for London.

Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France and Ten for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1897. [5]

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N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Sachsen[Tuesday] 10th March.
Bayern[Tuesday] 10th March.
Prinz Heinrich[Tuesday] 10th March.

ON TUESDAY, the 10th day of March, 1897, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain H. Sommer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE AND CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on SATURDAY, the 27th March. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY, the 29th March, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 30th March. Contents of Packages are required. Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

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For further Particulars, apply to

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W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.,
2nd Floor, 10th March, 1897. [10]